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Dear Caroline,

As I have been at Weymouth the last week literally fighting wild beasts you can hardly expect me to have much to say in the way of news. I will go back to Monday. You never saw such a day as we had in town after you left Anne says she wrote you all about it, but I am sure neither pen nor pencil could portray it. I have seen a great deal, but never a day equal to that. I had calculated my business exactly so as to go out in the last train & every thing packed accordingly when lo! pa came in a covered wagon to take us all out of town, upon which all my things had to be packed over again in bags & bandboxes, Anne grew so bad* that after dinner it was decided that she must be left. With great toil Lucia & I drove off from the back door at precisely 5 o'clock at the very moment that Mrs Dolben set off from the front. Of course we took Fido with us. The rain was pouring in torrents all the time We came very safely till we came to Penn's hill, & then in the most unchar acteristic manner pa set the horse to going full speed, both Lucia & I were

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fully prepared for what followed, for Tehee was nothing to us, & just at the foot of the hill down we came with a tremendous crash. The horse flat on his side. We were all thrown forward but not out. Lucia & I held the horses head down, for he was pretty lively while pa unharnessed him. Fido was frightened almost to death & jumped into the back of the waggon, & did not jump out till we called him. The rain which had died away now came down in torrents, so Lucia & I & Fido walked up to the red house, some distance you recollect. Our feet were pretty wet & we were ushered into a fore room where was a sick woman just gone I should think in a consumption. I tried to get into the kitchen to dry our feet but failed. Pa soon drove up not much harm done & we got in. Fido refused but pa caught him & put him in, he entirely refused to sit out front but scrambled up behind on backs with his nose resting on either Lucia's or my shoulder & never took his eyes off the horse for a moment. We got home safely & found all well. The next day Lucia & I both had headaches & small colds, which soon passed off. Lucia said she had been more exposed than during all the other part of her journeying. Wednesday the sewing

meeting was held, where the ugliness of the Hanson was brought out: you know the sewing meeting asked for the bank & got it. The next day Mrs H asked for the same room to do his insurance business in, as a favor It was granted with the exception of wed afternoon. Mrs H was snooping out; why didn't we go to Liberty Hall I told her said Mrs Leach, we likeds the bank better & as soon as Mr Hanson was out we asked for it. Thurs-day Mr H went to town & Anne came out with him. The mail at night brought a letter from Hervey, from Josh to Maria & from Dr Farnsworth. The two first I will send to you may see for yourself. Anne brought out your letter & told me her blunder about the Virgil. I send the right one as you seem to need it. Lizzies cape They had had a full sewing meeting at Maria's that afternoon Garrison come & read letters from England urging him to come out in the pocket of the 16th of July, George Thompson had written entreating his presence. George was in full feather sending & leering as in his palmiest days at the Free Church. Every body was saying this was equal to

the Peter Boat wish discussion. The
Free Church will be broken up unless
the money is returned. Thompson
wants to have Gannon come, hold
a great meeting at London, form
a committee, then go to Glasgow do
the same there then to Dublin &
another there. Anne thinks Gill
& ought to go. We were much
pleased with Joh's letter. As Warren
says Got beat. Thursday morning
Gray called again with a letter
from Warren in his hand. He
only read a part of it, in which
he said he should sail for N York
in the Paul Jones, Watkins, Maria
& Anne saw him & Emma come
in as he went out, they were all
pleased with him. They asked him
what Warren said of his future plans
& he said at once that Warren did
not know, that he was waiting for
Mr Bates views which he had not
recd as yet. He enquired for the
Shanghai's who it appears hired
6 months with them at Macao. They
started with 8, & but two cooks hired
She is indisputably a cook; as Anne
say She crowed like a dog this morning
Tell Lucy Fido is very well & happy.
Henry is to begin to go to school next week

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